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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

October 4 (legislative day, September 3), 1949

Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

JOINT RESOLUTION

Designating November 19, 1949, the anniversary of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address, as Dedication Day.

Whereas the Gettysburg Address of President Abraham Lincoln is an outstanding classic and will touch the hearts of men and inspire them with faith in our matchless democracy as long as time endures; and

Whereas in that address Mr. Lincoln adjured his fellow countrymen to dedicate themselves to the principles of democracy in order that government "of the people, by the people, and for the people shall not perish from the earth": Therefore be it

- 1 Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives
- 2 of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 That November 19, 1949, the anniversary of the delivery
- 4 of the Gettysburg Address, be, and hereby is, designated
- 5 in our calendar of special days as Dedication Day.
- 6 That the President of the United States is requested to
- 7 proclaim November 19, 1949, as Dedication Day and to
- 8 suggest that the address be read on that day in schools and

- 1 public assemblages throughout the United States and its
- 2 possessions, on our ships at sea and wherever the American
- 3 flag flies.

Passed the House of Representatives October 3, 1949.

Attest:

RALPH R. ROBERTS,

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